

Schools:

1. Q: Will the new development be required to pay for schools?

A: Yes, typically new residential development is required to pay for school improvements and that same requirement is expected to apply in Coyote Valley. School site acquisition is likely to be funded through a combination of school fees, state funding, Community Facility Districts and land dedications.

2. Q: Is school land being considered for joint use as parkland?

A: The consultant team, the Morgan Hill Unified School District and the parks agencies are analyzing the possibility of locating schools adjacent to parks to allow for shared use of the ball fields. The schools would need dedicated fenced play areas for the students; however, there are opportunities for safe shared recreation areas and park facilities.

3. Q: The Morgan Hill Unified Schools District (MHUSD) is already nearly at capacity. Will the Coyote Valley Specific Plan area become part of the MHUSD?

A: The Coyote Valley is in the MHUSD service area, which extends northerly to Bernal Road in San Jose. The Initial Draft CVSP (on the CVSP website) includes nine elementary schools, two middle schools and the alternative of one larger high school or two smaller high schools.

4. Q: Does the Plan provide for one or two high schools?

A: The Land Use Plan provides for a 60-acre collegiate high school for 3,000 students with two-full curriculum school campuses or an alternative design that would provide for one 2,000-student high school campus in the core, and a 1,000-student second magnet high school adjoining Gavilan College with shared school facilities. This idea was discussed at the August 13, 2007 Task Force meeting.